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SUBJECT: RATS BE GONE: UK PEST ERADICATION FIRM RENTOKIL EXPANDING IN LIBYA REF: 08 TRIPOLI 635 TRIPOLI 00000705 001.2 OF 002

CLASSIFIED BY: Joan Polaschik, Charge d'Affaires, U.S. Embassy Tripoli, Department of State. REASON: 1.4 (b), (d)

1.(C) Summary: One of the UK's top pest eradication firms has won a contract with the Libyan government to exterminate rodents in the cities of RENTOKIL - FROM EXTERMINATION TO CARTOGRAPHY

[12.](#) (C) Rentokil, one of the UK's top pest eradication firms, was contracted in July 2008 by the GOL's General People's Committee for Infrastru

[13.](#) (C) In January 2008, the GOL contacted Rentokil in search for a pest control company to help eradicate a growing rodent population across t

[14.](#) (C) In Tripoli, Rentokil has 150,000 bait stations set-up to eradicate rats. Rentokil staff monitor the numbers of dead rodents they find c

[15.](#) (C) Rentokil inherited many employees from the Libyan government and had to retrain people in their techniques and also had to provide Engl

PLAGUE OUTBREAK IN TOBRUK: RENTOKIL BROUGHT IN TO HELP

6.(C) Touching on the outbreak of the Bubonic Plague in Libya's eastern city of Tobruk earlier this summer, Hill explained the rodents had move RENTOKIL'S LESSONS LEARNED

[17.](#) (C) Having heard that the GOL was famous for late payments, Jones told Econoff that Rentokil required a sizeable up-front payment, which al

[18.](#) (C) Now that Rentokil is established in Libya, it plans to expand to the private sector and will enter into a joint venture with Libyan con

[19.](#) (C) Comment: Rentokil's success thus far in Libya is encouraging, as it demonstrates there are opportunities for service provider companies